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THE WEEK'S NEWS

Happenings of the Past Seven Days in Brief.

ROUND ABOUT THE WORLD

Casualties and Fires, Personal and Political Notes, Business Failures and Resurrections, Weather Record.

INTELLIGENCE FROM ALL PARTS

DOMESTIC.

George W. Beavers, under indictment for alleged postal frauds, is declared a fugitive from justice.

A new world's mark for one mile and 166 yards was set at the Harlem race track in Chicago by Grand Opera, who ran the distance in 1:44.3-5.

Two additional victims of the accident at the National league baseball park in Philadelphia are dead, making the total number of deaths 11.

E. E. Johnson, bookkeeper for the Commercial Banking company in Duluth, Minn., confessed to embezzling \$45,000, and the bank was compelled to close.

The grand jury investigating the recent lynching at Danville, Ill., indicted 18 persons.

Sleeping car porters employed by the Pullman company seek the abolition of tips and an increase in wages.

The senate subcommittee conferred with President Roosevelt at Sagamore Hill on a currency bill which will be introduced at the coming extra session of congress.

The battle ship Massachusetts struck a rock near Bar Harbor, Me., and several plates were cracked.

Thousands of negroes in Georgia have been robbed by a northern negro named Mitchell under promise of securing pensions for them.

The American fishing tug Silver Spray of Erie was fired on and damaged in Lake Erie by the Canadian revenue cutter Petrel while in debatable water near the boundary line.

The legislature of Georgia has passed a resolution forbidding the whipping of female convicts.

Secretary Shaw removed Henry Ives Cobb, architect in charge of the Chicago federal building.

Burglars secured \$1,300 from the post office at Sherman, S. D.

Special session of congress may be called for October instead of November as a result of the finance committee conference with President Roosevelt.

Reports from 1,304 bankers in 25 western and southern states show poor conditions there for financing crops.

Burns, Ga., was swept by flames the town hall, opera house and several residences and barns being destroyed.

By request the world's fair management at St. Louis has fixed October 7, 1904, for anti-cigarette day.

Six firemen on the steamship Eastland mutilated because they were not given mashed potatoes for dinner. The strikers were arrested and placed in jail at South Haven, Mich., charged with mutiny on board ship while at sea.

President Roosevelt will be asked by China and Russia to arbitrate the Manchurian dispute.

Damage suits against labor unions and members of unions aggregating \$131,000 have been filed in Chicago courts.

Gilbert Twigg, an insane man, fired into a crowd of people at Winfield, Kan., killing three, and then killed himself.

In a train wreck near Melrose, N. C., Engineer J. H. Averill, Jr., Fireman William Hair and brakeman W. B. Sherrill were killed.

During the month of July, the first month of the present fiscal year, almost 3,000 new rural mail routes have been established.

Frank Neil won the world's bantam weight championship by knocking out Harry Forbes of Chicago in the second round at San Francisco.

The percentages of the baseball clubs in the National league for the week ended on the 16th were: Pittsburgh, .677; New York, .612; Chicago, .598; Cincinnati, .536; Brooklyn, .485; Boston, .426; St. Louis, .349; Philadelphia, .337.

George B. Evans killed his wife and himself in Kansas City, Mo.

A couple who registered as R. Smith and wife committed suicide in a hotel at New Haven, Conn., by turning on the gas.

Great damage was done by a tornado which swept the farming country southwest of Norfolk, Neb.

Boycotting of bachelors and employment only of married men, is urged by Mayor Knotts, of Hammond, Ind.

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Dan P. Ellis, the oldest bank official in point of service in Ohio, died at his home in Cleveland, aged 78 years.

The North Atlantic fleet arrived at Oyster Bay and was reviewed by President Roosevelt and distinguished guests.

Masked men near Dupuy, Mont., took a herder from the sheep camp of Joe Sturgeon and, carrying him ten miles into the mountains, tied him to a tree and whipped him to death.

Owing to domestic troubles, Edward Kolschenska, a Decatur, Ill., saloon keeper, tied a strap around the trigger of a shotgun, raised the hammer, and, looking into the muzzle, pulled the trigger, literally blowing his head to pieces.

The limited New York express on the Pennsylvania road ran into an open switch at Van Wert, O. The engineer was instantly killed, the fireman fatally injured, while 14 others were more or less seriously injured.

George W. Gonser, of Kokomo, Ind., former deputy secretary of state, Friday committed suicide in Indianapolis by plunging beneath a train of Big Four cars. He first slashed his throat with a razor. Worry over financial embarrassments caused the act.

A hailstorm cleaned out several thousand acres of grain north of East Grand Forks, Minn.

The jury in the case of Curtie Jett and Thomas White, charged with the assassination of James B. Marcus, at Jackson, Ky., returned a verdict of guilty, fixing the punishment of each at life imprisonment.

James J. Jeffries retains the world's heavyweight championship by knocking out James J. Corbett in the tenth round in Mechanics' pavilion in San Francisco.

President Roosevelt addressing 5,000 Roman Catholics, members of the Holy Name Society of Brooklyn, urged clean speech and action as the true marks of an American citizen.

Militia sentries at the Danville (Ill.) jail were attacked by unknown persons and many shots were fired by the guards and one marauder was wounded.

Suppression of mob law was declared necessary by Justice John Woodward in an address at Chautauque, N. Y., to prove that popular government is successful.

Charles M. Schwab is behind big tailors' trust to be launched in New York next week. It will establish stores in every large city in the country, employ half a million men and own mills for making cloth.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

Gen. E. E. Bryant, ex-dean of the Wisconsin university law school and president of the state fish commission, died on a train near Toronto, Can.

B. L. Woodward, who had a national reputation as a trap shooter, died at his home in Brockton, Mass., aged 38.

Ex-Gov. Lubbock, aged 87, and Miss Lou Scott, aged 40, were married at Abilene, Tex.

Mrs. Maria Letitia Lish, known as the oldest woman in Baltimore, died at the age of 102 years.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Wayne, born the same day 68 years ago, died within a few hours of each other and were buried together in Albany, N. Y.

Financial legislation and other work of the proposed extraordinary session of congress were discussed at Oyster Bay by the president with several of his callers.

FOREIGN.

Fifty lives were lost, hundreds of persons injured, towns and plantations overwhelmed and \$10,000,000 damage done by a hurricane in the island of Jamaica.

Pope Leo's sealed apartments in the vatican were opened by Mgr. Cagliano, and nearly a million dollars were found.

Deaths in the Jamaica hurricane are likely to reach 200, and the property damage is estimated at \$12,000,000.

Bulgarian insurgents have massacred the inhabitants of the large Turkish village of Kenati, near Monastir.

Minister Beaupre, at Bogota, states that no final action has yet been reached on the Panama canal treaty.

The Servian ministry has resigned because of discord between those who participated in the murder of the king and queen and those who did not.

Vice Admiral Cervera, who surrendered to the American fleet off Santiago de Cuba, has resigned the position of chief of staff in the French navy.

The total number of deaths caused by the tunnel disaster in Paris is 114.

The British house of lords has agreed to the Irish land bill in the form finally approved by the house of commons.

Dispatches from Santo Domingo say that a plot to murder Gen. Alejandro Woa y Gil, the president, has been discovered.

The state department has been informed by Ambassador Choate that the first meeting of the Alaskan boundary commission will be held at 11 o'clock on September 3 in the British foreign office.

The British parliament closed until November 2 with the usual speech from the king. Session was notable for the passage of the Irish land bill and for the stir caused by Chamberlain's preferential tariff proposals.

Veterans of the army of the Philippines celebrated occupation day in Manila with a parade.

Russia ordered war ships to sail for Turkish waters to enforce demands made by the czar for the killing of the consul of Monastir.

A court-martial held at Monastir condemned the gendarme, Halim, to death for the murder of M. Rostkowski, the Russian consul at Monastir. The sentence was immediately carried out.

Russia, it is said, proposes to have an army of 300,000 men in the far east, to be used in the event of trouble with Japan.

LATER.

For the first time in the history of the country the president of the United States reviewed and inspected in time of peace a great fleet of United States warships. The ceremony was a magnificent and impressive naval spectacle. The review occurred on Long Island sound two miles and a half off the entry to Oyster Bay, N. Y., on the 17th.

The third annual exhibition of the Missouri state fair opened at Sedalia, Mo., on the 17th. The five new buildings constructed this year have been fully completed and are nearly filled with exhibits. There was a complete readiness this year for the opening, and the fair is said to be the best one held since it became a state institution.

St. Louis and Salt Lake City, Utah, are the chief competitors of Denver, Col., in the contest for the meeting place of the national G. A. R. encampment in 1904. All three cities are making strong fights, but talks with many delegates indicate that St. Louis stands a good chance of capturing the prize.

Grasshoppers were so thick in Red Lodge, Mont., on the 17th, that they were plastered on the locomotives of the trains and the wheels were so slippery that when the engines stopped it was difficult to start them again. They have eaten the range bare.

Pat Rodgers, one of the six men who broke from the Butte (Mont.) jail on the 8th, wrote a letter, on the 17th, in which he said he would give himself up if City Detective Murphy would fight him a duel. Murphy accepted the challenge.

A head-end collision took place, on the 17th, on the Carthage-Joplin electric railway three miles from Carthage, Mo. Motorman Joseph Baker was killed, Motorman Ed. Hedge fatally hurt and 25 other persons seriously injured.

The pope, on the 17th, gave \$20,000 for distribution among the poor of Rome. The pontiff seems to have quite recovered his health, as he is giving more audiences than before he suffered from his recent fainting fit.

A flag floated from the Chicago Historical Society building on the 17th—almost the only reminder to Chicago that it was the city's one hundredth birthday.

The printing plant of the Laning company, at Norwalk, O., was practically destroyed by fire early on the 17th. Loss, \$100,000; fully insured.

MINOR NEWS ITEMS.

Gen. Miles has accepted the presidency of the Thomas Jefferson Memorial association.

Wall street now places John D. Rockefeller ahead of J. Pierpont Morgan as the world's greatest financier.

A monster cheese weighing two tons will be manufactured in New York state and sent to the St. Louis exposition next spring.

The commission appointed to select a sculptor to design a statue of Gen. McClellan, to be erected in Washington, has chosen Frederic MacMonnies, of New York.

Jacob S. Johnson, of Fair Haven, Mass., is the only surviving member of Peary's famous expedition to Japan, which opened the ports of that country to foreigners.

Charles G. Emery, a wealthy tobacco dealer, of New York, has purchased Grand View park, an island in the St. Lawrence river, 20 acres in extent, which will be turned into a free sanitarium for poor children.

Dave Tohee, only brother of the late murdered chief of the Iowa Indians, has been elected to the chieftainship of this tribe in Oklahoma.

King Edward and Queen Alexandra carried 200 tons weight of trunks with them during their visit to Ireland.

Capt. Henry Hash, of Boston, is the last surviving officer of the militia company that participated in the famous "Aroostook war."

L. O. Emerson, composer of "A Life on the Ocean Wave," "The Ivy Green" and other songs, celebrated his 83d birthday at Boston.

The supreme court of North Carolina has affirmed a lower court's award of \$450 to Henry F. Seawell, who was struck by 15 bad eggs while campaigning in 1900.

The corner stone of the Davis-Elkins Presbyterian college, to which former United States Senators Elkins and Davis contributed upwards of \$100,000, was laid at Elkins, W. Va.

Miss Mary B. Bixby, of Pasadena, Cal., has discovered the first commission issued to a lighthouse keeper in this country. George Washington signed the document appointing Joseph Greenleaf at Portland Head, Me.

Young German engineers are urged by Privy Councillor Lutz, recently returned from an American tour, to visit the United States and see improved factory arrangements.

NEWS FROM MISSOURI.

A folk club was organized at Dexter with Judge J. L. Foot, of the Twenty-second district, as president.

The death rate in Kansas City last month was the highest in the history of the city, 324 deaths having been reported.

City Marshal Vince Coleman shot and killed Rufus Cox at Dalton. Cox was selling fish in the street. Coleman was arrested and lodged in jail at Keytesville. He is a brother of Charley Coleman, who was killed last April in Keytesville by Will White.

A special Mark Twain day has been set for the world's fair. The National Mark Twain association has been organized at Hannibal, the boyhood home of the great humorist, and will hold its convention at the exposition June 15, 16 and 17, 1904. The last day has been specially assigned as Mark Twain day.

W. T. Atha, living five miles southwest of Nevada, the other day killed a blacksnake about 4 1/2 feet long, which he found in a hen's nest on his farm. He noticed that it had what seemed a swelling in one part of its body and, on cutting it open, took out a large corn-cob eight inches long, which the snake had swallowed small end foremost.

A difference over ten cents precipitated a fight between Joseph Moore, white, and John Mattox, a negro, in the Ardmore camp, near Mason. After several blows were exchanged Mattox pulled his pistol and shot Moore through the heart. Mattox is known as the "king of the camp" among the negroes. He escaped.

According to records on file at the office of the secretary of the state board of agriculture there are about 235,193 acres of vacant public land in Missouri which may be homesteaded or purchased outright for \$1.25 an acre. Much of this land is well timbered and some of it is adapted to fruit orchards, while, of course, a large part of it is worthless for agricultural purposes.

Eph B. Cockrell, son of Senator Cockrell, of Warrensburg, is now living on a 3,000-acre sugar plantation near the city of Mexico. Mr. Cockrell is arranging to place on his plantation a modern sugar mill, which will be the only one of its kind in that part of Mexico. Cockrell likes Mexico and says it presents fine openings for young Americans who have a little capital to invest.

A negro boy attended school at Chillicothe six years before the school directors learned that his home was in a country district. They intend now to make the country district hand over \$70. If a child from one district attends school in another, and his parents can't or won't pay his tuition, the district in which he lives is legally liable for his tuition at the rate of \$14 a year. The money cannot be collected after a lapse of five years, so the Chillicothe district loses pay for its first year's instruction of the interloper.

A correspondent at Otterville describes an ice cream church social as a success in every respect except the following incident: "Seven or eight couples came down from Smithton to enjoy the social and while they were at the table some smart young man or boy at Otterville started a game of throwing eggs at the Smithton crowd and soon a number of others joined in the sport. The consequences were that most all their clothes were spoiled or ruined." But the general success of the occasion must have sent the Smithtonians home in high spirits.

Orrin McClean, of Powersville, was arrested by the federal officers and taken to Kansas City on the charge of "bootlegging" whisky. Several witnesses testified as to the perambulatory habits indulged in by McClean in the dispensing of liquor, while numerous witnesses testified on behalf of the defendant. McClean was bound over to the United States grand jury and released on his own recognizance. Powersville is a local option town and it is the desire of citizens there to carry out the expressed wish of the people to make the place prohibition in fact as well as in name.

This dispatch recently came from Columbia: Out of 300 exchanges received this week at the Herald office 228 are shouting for folk for governor, many of them contain full-page pictures of the scourge of hoodlums, and there are perhaps 228 columns of editorial matter booming the young attorney for governor. The country press is almost solid for Folk. Such a state of unanimous sentiment has perhaps never before been observed in Missouri. Boone county farmers are especially warm in his support for the reason that most of them know the candidate by sight. When the Butler trial was in progress here in November the male population of Boone county turned out en masse to see the millionaire blacksmith, incidentally, but to see Folk in particular. Since then the young attorney has been the lion of the hour in this vicinity.

MURDERED WOMEN AND CHILDREN

Bodies Slain by Bashi-Bazouks Fill Turkish River.

OFFICIALS ARE IN CONNIVANCE

Pillage and Destroy a Number of Christian Villages and Nearly Choke the River With Mutilated Corpses.

Berlin, Aug. 18.—According to a dispatch to the Frankfurter Zeitung, the river Drin, near Monastir, Macedonia, is red with blood and nearly choked with mutilated bodies of innocent women and children, who have been massacred by bashi-bazouks.

A dispatch received from Uskub says that 600 bashi-bazouks, under command of Albanian chiefs, who are notoriously cruel, have pillaged and destroyed a number of Christian villages in the districts of Debre and Okrida. The Turkish authorities, it is added, connived at the outrages and furnished the bashi-bazouks with old uniforms, in order that they might appear to be regular soldiers.

Confidential reports from Constantinople express fear for the sultan's personal safety. The Albanian palace guards at the yildiz kiosk are much excited over the execution of Halim, the sentry who shot and killed M. Roskowsky, the Russian consul at Monastir, because of the fact that the soldier was an Albanian.

Russian Squadron Sails.

Sebastopol, Aug. 18.—The squadron of the Russian Black sea fleet, which has been ordered to the Turkish coast, sailed Monday. It is under the command of Rear-Admiral Krueger.

Roumania Preparing.

Bucharest, Roumania, Aug. 18.—Acting War Minister Bratiano has ordered the government powder factory and small arms ammunition depot to prepare large quantities of ammunition immediately.

To Show Responsibility.

Sofia, Bulgaria, Aug. 18.—The foreign diplomats here are anxiously watching the effect of the memorandum which the Bulgarian government has presented to the powers on the subject of the condition of affairs in Macedonia. They fear it may excite popular opinion in Bulgaria and point out that such emphatic, outspoken criticism is usually reserved for manifestos issued on the eve of war.

Muslim Army Re-Enforced.

Constantinople, Aug. 18.—An Imperial trade has been issued calling out 52 additional battalions of troops (about 52,000 men) from the European province of Turkey, in consequence of the spread of insurrection in Macedonia. These troops comprise 20 battalions of reserves of the first class from the Adrianople and Salonica army corps. The balance are reserves of the second class.

GIVEN UP BY THE WATER.

The Bodies of George Evans and Miss Florence Brown, Missing at Groversville, N. Y., Found.

Groversville, N. Y., Aug. 18.—The body of George Evans came to the surface of Canada lake early Monday morning. Dynamite was exploded between the island where the boat was found and Nigger bay, Sunday, and the head and shoulders appeared above the water.

Later in the day the body of Miss Florence Brown was found, coming to the surface of the lake, near where the boat was found adrift, but where the dragging had been unsuccessful. Both bodies were viewed by the coroner and then taken to Johnstown.

The two young people had been missing for some days, having gone for a boat ride and not returning. Mr. Evans was to have come into a fortune, Monday, and both were well known.

ONE DEAD, FIVE INJURED.

Fatal Head-On Collision On the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Near Long Lake, Wis.

Milwaukee, Aug. 18.—One man is dead and five others are seriously injured as the result of a head-on collision between passenger trains on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway, respectively leaving Madison at 6:20 and Chicago at 7:45 a. m., Monday. The trains met two and one-half miles east of Long Lake station on account, it is thought, of a misunderstanding or orders. The dead man, who succumbed to his injuries two hours after the accident, was the express messenger, the injured being the enginemen of both trains and a baggage man.